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Paramedic Initial Licensure Requirements

*Individuals desiring **initial** licensure as a paramedic shall:*

- _____ 1. Be at least eighteen (18) years of age
- _____ 2. Holds a high school diploma or GED
- _____ 3. Understands, reads, speaks, and writes the English language with a comprehension and performance level equal to at least the ninth grade of education, otherwise known as Level 4, verified by testing as necessary
- _____ 4. Holds current unrestricted certification as an EMT in Kentucky or holds current unrestricted registration with the NREMT as an NREMT-B
- _____ 5. Is not currently subject to disciplinary action pursuant to KRS Chapter 311A that would prevent licensure <http://www.lrc.state.ky.us/KRS/311A00/CHAPTER.HTM>
 - Proof in the form of a state criminal background check from state of residency of the past 5 years. (See website for more info.
<http://kbems.ky.gov/paramedic/initial.htm>)
- _____ 6. Meets all additional requirements established by the EMS-TEI
- _____ 7. Holds a valid motor vehicle operators license from a state or territory of the United States
- _____ 8. Successfully complete, within thirty (30) months of the beginning of the course, all EMS-TEI requirements for the education or training program which:
 - a. Utilize the United States Department of Transportation, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 1998 National Standard Curriculum for Emergency Medical Technician-Paramedic, which shall not be satisfied by the completion of refresher or transition courses alone; and
 - b. Shall not contain less than the median number of didactic, practical laboratory, and clinical and field internship hours for each subject and skill as contained in the “Field and Pilot Test Didactic and Practical Laboratory Hours Report” and “Field and Pilot Test Clinical Report” of the United States Department of Transportation, National Highway Traffic Administration, 1998 National Standard Curriculum for Emergency Medical Technician-Paramedic;
- _____ 9. Present evidence of completion of education and training regarding determination of death and preservation of evidence
- _____ 10. Obtain NREMT registration as NREMT-P
- _____ 11. Submit a signed “Application for Paramedic Examination and Licensure”
- _____ 12. Present written evidence of completion of current HIV/AIDS education or training;
- _____ 13. Pay the fee of **fifty-five (55) dollars**, (\$10.00 application plus \$45.00 licensure);

An applicant for licensure as a paramedic shall successfully complete all NREMT testing and become Kentucky licensed within two (2) years after fulfilling all of the requirements of their paramedic education or training program, including the completion of the field summative evaluation.